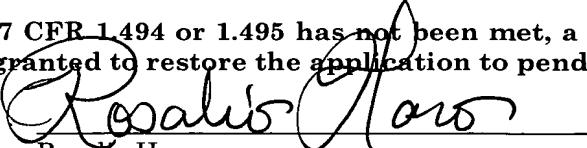


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 37 U.S.C. 371	INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP00/03625 INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE June 2, 2000 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED June 4, 1999	
TITLE OF INVENTION: DOCUMENT CATEGORIZING METHOD, DOCUMENT CATEGORIZING APPARATUS, AND STORAGE MEDIUM ON WHICH A DOCUMENT CATEGORIZATION PROGRAM IS STORED		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Michihiro Nagaishi, Shinji Miwa,		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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<p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment </p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</p> <p>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Postcard; PCT/IB/308; International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) in Japanese & English, Front page of published PCT application, PCT Request in Japanese & English, and PCT International Application</p>		

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Be it known that we, Michihiro Nagaishi and Shinji Miwa, both citizens of Japan, of 3-5 Owa 3-chome, Suwa-shi, Nagano-ken, 392 Japan, c/o Seiko Epson Corporation, have invented new and useful improvements in:

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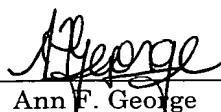
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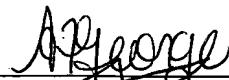
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